

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

DATE: November 3, 2005

CALLED TO ORDER: 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNED: 5:25 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Attending Members

Monroe Gray, Jr., Chairman
Bob Cockrum
Susie Day
Ron Gibson
Dane Mahern
William Oliver
Earl Salisbury

Absent Members

Vernon Brown

PROPOSAL NO. 560, 2005 - approves an increase of \$19,374 in the 2005 Budget of the Department of Parks and Recreation (Non-Lapsing Federal Grants Fund) to fund three programs for youth at Washington Park, supporting drug and violence reduction and development of a technology-based Youth Leadership Academy for youth ages 10-18, funded by Weed and Seed grants from the US Department of Justice

"Do Pass"

Vote: 7-0

PROPOSAL NO. 561, 2005 - approves an increase of \$64,474 in the 2005 Budget of the Department of Parks and Recreation (Park General Fund) to fund afterschool programs at IPS School 27, funded by a donation from the United Way, and to implement character building programs for youth, funded by a grant from the NCAA

"Do Pass"

Vote: 7-0

PROPOSAL NO. 562, 2005 - approves an increase of \$102,763 in the 2005 Budget of the Department of Parks and Recreation (Non-Lapsing Federal Grants Fund) to pay for construction inspection for the bike and pedestrian trail on the upper Fall Creek trail between 56th Street and Shadeland Avenue, financed by federal funds from the Transportation Enhancement Fund administered by the Indiana Department of Transportation

"Do Pass"

Vote: 7-0

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Parks and Recreation Committee of the City-County Council met on Thursday, November 3, 2005. Chairman Monroe Gray, Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following members present: Bob Cockrum, Susie Day, Ron Gibson, Dane Mahern, William "Duke" Oliver, and Earl Salisbury. Absent was Vernon Brown.

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Joe Wynns, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), stated that this is a two-phase grant: one part provides supplies, equipment, meals, and transportation, and the other part provides software and training to support the Drug and Violence Protection program at Washington Park.

John Connor, Regional Manager, DPR, explained that this is the first time this type of program has been tried in the Midwest and includes instruction for preparing youth for the future by being involved in activities such as editing videos, creating music, etc.

Washington Park is in Councillor Oliver's Council district, and he commented on the importance of the Weed and Seed grants.

Councillor Oliver moved, seconded by Councillor Mahern, to send Proposal No. 560, 2005 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

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Councillor Cockrum asked if all of this money is being appropriated this year. Wayne Simpson, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), DPR, answered that it is all being appropriated, but chances are it will not all be spent this year.

Councillor Mahern moved, seconded by Councillor Oliver, to send Proposal No. 561, 2005 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

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Mr. Wynns stated that DPR has been able to work with the State (Indiana Department of Transportation) to get the inspection for construction of this last piece of trail. Mr. Wynns said that DPR already has the money for the construction; this is strictly a mandate by the State that DPR hire someone for the inspection.

Ray Irvin, Administrator, Greenways, DPR, stated that there has been a long wait for this portion of the trail to happen.

Councillor Gibson moved, seconded by Councillor Oliver, to send Proposal No. 562, 2005 to the full Council with a "Do Pass" recommendation. This motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

With no further business pending, and upon motion duly made, the Parks and Recreation Committee of the City-County Council was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Monroe Gray, Jr., Chair
Parks and Recreation Committee

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